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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 USC 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA)

Application No.	09/787,004
Filing Date	May 23, 2001
First Named Inventor	Vermin et al.
Group Art Unit	1761
Examiner Name	Leslie Wong
Attorney Docket No	209684

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.
NOTE: 37 CFR 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 CFR 1.53(d) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000). 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

- 1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114**
- a. Previously submitted
 - i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on March 4, 2003 (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.)
 - ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
 - iii. Other:
 - b. Enclosed
 - i. Amendment/Reply
 - ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. Form PTO-1449
 - v. Copies of documents listed in Form PTO-1449
 - vi. Other:
- 2. Miscellaneous**
- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required.)
 - b. Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27
 - c. Other:

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3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.		
a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The following fees are enclosed:		
i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RCE fee of \$750.00 (large entity) required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)		
ii. <input type="checkbox"/> One-month extension of time fee of \$110.00 (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)		
iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Suspension of action fee of \$130.00 (37 CFR 1.17(i))	06/19/2003 AWONDAF1 00000113 121216	09787004
iv. <input type="checkbox"/> Other:	01 FC:1801 750.00 DA	
TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED		\$750.00
b. <input type="checkbox"/> Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed		
c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the above fees to Deposit Account No. 12-1216		
d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the above fees or to credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 12-1216		

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY OR AGENT REQUIRED

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Signature		Date	June 16, 2003

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR 1.10

I hereby certify that this RCE Transmittal and all accompanying documents are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on June 16, 2003, in an envelope as "EXPRESS MAIL POST OFFICE TO ADDRESSEE" service under 37 CFR 1.10, Mailing Label Number EV 329736090 US, addressed to: Mail Stop RCECommissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Name (Print/Type)	Christina Masters	Date	June 16, 2003
Signature		Date	June 16, 2003